

NEWS NOTES

FOR THE

BUSY MAN

Most Important Happenings of the World Told in Brief.

PERSONAL

Stewart M. Brice, son of the late United States Senator Calvin Brice of Ohio, was declared insane in New York.

Rear Admiral Evans declined a tentative offer of a house from admirers in Los Angeles.

Frank Spence was convicted at Prescott, Ariz., of the murder of Edgar R. Sullivan and sentenced to death.

Mulal Hafid, the new sultan of Morocco, has definitely accepted the Algeciras act and the attendant conditions laid down by the powers for the recognition of his sultanate.

Elliott A. Archer, wanted at Newark, N. J., to answer charges of forgery involving \$70,000, was released from custody at Seattle, Wash., Gov. Mead having refused to honor the requisition for him.

President Roosevelt, while driving, narrowly escaped being run down by a fire hose cart.

Bishop Hendrix of Kansas City, of the M. E. Church south was elected president of the Federal Council of the churches of Christ in America at Philadelphia.

Herbert L. Satterlee of New York was sworn in as assistant secretary of the navy.

Ill health is given as the cause of the retirement of Miss Margaret Hillington from the stage, which was announced by her husband, Daniel Frohman.

Representative Theodore Burton of Cleveland, O., has been offered by President-elect Taft the portfolio of secretary of the treasury.

Robert F. Maddox was elected mayor of Atlanta, Ga., by a majority of 3,000 votes over James G. Woodward, regular Democratic nominee and vice mayor of the city.

President Roosevelt appointed Daniel J. Keefe of Detroit, Mich., commissioner-general of immigration to succeed the late Frank P. Sargent.

Herbert L. Satterlee of New York, son-in-law of J. Pierpont Morgan, was offered the position of assistant secretary of the navy.

Ned W. Barton, former assistant examiner in the patent office, pleaded guilty to four indictments against him charging fraud in electric light patents and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Samuel B. Donnelly of New York, the newly-appointed public printer, took the oath of office and filed his bond.

GENERAL NEWS

Wreckage which has come ashore at Cape Ray leaves little room for doubt that the sturdy little steamer Soo City, which for 20 years plied as an excursion vessel on the Great Lakes, went down with her crew in the midst of the gale that lashed the Newfoundland coast for two days.

She was on her way to the Gulf of Mexico and carried a crew of 28 men.

Mrs. Abbie Rice completed her testimony in the Davis trial at Omaha by relating the extraordinary agreement which she says Dr. Rustin made with Davis, whereby Davis was to kill the physician in return for poison with which to commit suicide.

The controversy between the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh and the engineers was amicably settled.

The United States cruiser Yankee, which had been grounded in Buzzards bay for ten weeks, has been floated.

A revolution has begun in Salvador under the leadership of former Vice-President Prudencio Alfaro. The cities of Ahuachapan, Usulután and Santuana have been captured by the revolutionists.

The conference of the powers called by Great Britain to frame a code of laws for naval warfare and to form the international prize court recommended by The Hague congress, was opened at the foreign office in London.

Standard Oil prosecutions in Hamilton county, O., were dismissed at the request of the prosecuting attorney.

The Round Mountain Banking corporation of Round Mountain, Nev., closed its doors because of bad loans.

Lystia Wahoo Wintanago, a girl student at Carlisle Indian school, eloped with Joseph Twin, an Indian from the west.

Pa-Yi, the three-year-old son of Prince Chun, ascended the Dragon throne and was crowned emperor of China under the name of Hsuan Tung.

British officers working among the Sikhs and Hindus of the Pacific coast, unearthed the details of a proposed uprising against British rule in India, to take place in April.

The business section of Beckville, Tex., was burned, the loss being \$200,000.

The Stearns Salt & Lumber Company of Ludington, Mich., was fined \$10,000 for accepting rebates from the Pore Marquette.

While out hunting rabbits, Will Hough, aged 18 years, shot and killed his brother Guy, aged 25 years, near Mason City, Ia.

The government refused to let the citizens of Pine Bluff, Ark., cut through a levee to save the town, and every available man was put to work strengthening the river banks.

Race riots in Prague became so serious that it seemed probable martial law would be declared.

CONGRESS AT WORK

SECOND SESSION OF SIXTIETH BEGAN MONDAY.

LITTLE BUSINESS FIRST DAY

Message of President to be Read Tuesday and Thereafter the Regular Grind Will Begin.

Washington.—Monday at 12 o'clock both houses of congress will convene for the beginning of the second session of the Sixtieth congress. Vice President Fairbanks and Speaker Cannon will preside.

In the senate ex-Governor Cummins of Iowa will take the oath of office as the successor of Senator Allison of that state, as will Carroll S. Page of Vermont as the successor of Senator Stewart.

In the house the seven members elected in November to fill vacancies also will be sworn in. They are Henry A. Barnhart, democrat, who succeeds the late Mr. Brick, republican, Thirtieth Indiana district; Albert Estopinal, democrat, who succeeds the late Mr. Meyer, first Louisiana district; Otto G. Foelker, republican, successor to Mr. Dunwell, republican, Third New York district; Frank F. Guernsey, republican, successor to Mr. Powers, republican, Fourth Maine district; Eben M. Martin, republican, successor to Mr. Parker, republican, South Dakota, at-large; O. C. Wiley, democrat, Second Alabama district, and John P. Swasey, republican, successor to Mr. Littlefield, Second Maine district.

The two houses will appoint committees each to notify the other house and the president that congress is organized for business. The senate will then adjourn for the day out of respect to the memory of the late Senator Allison. The house will also terminate its brief session with resolutions commemorative of the lives of Messrs. Parker, South Dakota; Wiley, Alabama; Dunwell, New York, and Powers, Maine.

Tuesday will be given up to the reading of the president's message. As this is President Roosevelt's last annual message, there is unusual interest in it. The general report is that it will prove to be a conservative and carefully prepared document and that few recommendations for legislation will be ventured upon.

The house likely will begin business, Wednesday by considering the bill providing the means for the taking of the thirteenth census. It is the expectation of Mr. Tawney, chairman of the committee on appropriations, that his committee will be prepared to report the bill making appropriation for the legislative, executive and judicial branches of the government before the end of the week, and its consideration will be begun at the first practical moment.

The senate has agreed to take up the bill for the establishment of postal savings banks and Senator Foraker's bill authorizing the re-enlistment of the negro soldiers who were discharged on account of the Brownsville riot of 1906.

Party leaders expect that little legislation other than the appropriation bill will be attempted. These aggregate \$100,000,000.

Removed to Arlington.

Washington.—Having been buried for nearly a century in an obscure corner of Digge's farm in Maryland, near here, the body of Major L'Enfant, an engineer officer of the Colonial army who assisted George Washington in laying out the national capital, is to be removed at government expense, with military ceremonies, to Arlington cemetery, in Virginia.

Wagon Confers With Wright.

Washington.—Governor Magoon of Cuba arrived here and had a conference with Secretary of War Wright relative to the methods to be employed in the withdrawal of American troops from Cuba and on other matters relating to the government of the island.

Findlay Cases All Nolle.

Findlay, Ohio.—Standard Oil prosecutions in this county came to a sudden termination when, at the request of prosecuting Attorney David, all the indictments against the company were nolle prossed.

CUBAN AFFAIRS DISCUSSED.

President, Secretary Wright and Governor Magoon Hold Conference. Washington.—Governor Magoon of Cuba and Secretary Wright held a conference with President Roosevelt Sunday night. It is understood that Cuban affairs in general were discussed and particularly the question whether the United States should withdraw all of its troops from Cuba when this government relinquishes control of the island next February.

Spokane Has an Apple Show.

Spokane, Wash.—President Roosevelt will press a button at 10:30 Monday morning, Pacific time, which will give the signal for the formal opening of the National Apple show, to be held in Spokane from December 7 to 12. The exhibits, ranging all the way from a single apple to a carload, aggregate twenty carloads. The exhibit is the greatest and finest exhibition of apples, apple products and implements and machinery associated with the cultivation of the apple that has ever been assembled anywhere.

Mr. Bryan in Texas.

Austin, Texas.—William J. Bryan arrived here Sunday and addressed the Young Men's Christian association and an Elks memorial celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Bryan will leave Monday for central Texas points, on their way to their home in Lincoln, Neb.

Shah Condemned to Death.

Teheran.—Proclamations of the secret revolutionary organization have been posted condemning the shah to death for violating the constitution.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Greater or Lesser Importance Over the State.

A late venture launched in Seward is a roller skating rink.

The Rock Island road has paid its taxes in Gage county, amounting to \$9,505.95.

Wolves are causing farmers and sheep men a good deal of annoyance in the vicinity of Clarkson.

The county clerk issued fifty-nine hunting and fishing licenses in Cumling county during the season.

The schools at Spencer were closed for two weeks on account of several cases of illness among the pupils.

There are some cases of diphtheria in Schuyler and vigorous efforts are being put forth to prevent its spreading.

The treasurer of Otoe county has paid into the state the sum of \$6,384. taxes from this year's November levy.

Rev. William Axling and wife, who have been sojourning in the vicinity of Gothenburg for a time, have gone to Japan as missionaries.

The members of the United Evangelical church at Blue Springs have spent over \$400 during the year in improving their church property.

The Bancroft Creamery company has suspended business for the winter for the reason that sufficient cream to run the plant was not obtainable.

A grain of corn in the whippie of a little son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Conett of Baker, Boyd county, resulted in the lad's death after several days of intense suffering.

Will Gregory, while out hunting with a party of men from Arcadia, accidentally shot himself in the right arm just above the elbow. The wound is not thought serious.

As recompense for the crippled hands she will have during the rest of her life, a jury in district court gave Martha M. Johnson of Omaha a verdict for \$2,750 against a laundry company.

Farmers should all have telephones. Write to us and learn how to get the best service for the least money. Nebraska Telephone Company, 18th and Douglas streets, Omaha. "Use the Bell."

Governor Sheldon has reappointed Mrs. C. S. Carscadden of York and Mrs. Dr. Towne of Omaha members of the advisory and visiting board of the Nebraska Industrial home at Milford.

The tuberculosis exhibit under the national association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis, which has been in Fremont for a week, will be continued one more and possibly two more weeks.

Several York and Fillmore county farmers have recently been soaked and worked by two agents who interest farmers by leaving goods with them and getting them to sign a receipt which turns up as a promissory note in the hands of innocent purchasers.

Corn on Dan V. Stephens' farm near North Bend on land that was recently tilled is going from thirty-five to sixty bushels to the acre, the best in the country. On this same land the cows used to mire down and were dragged out of the swamp at the end of a long rope.

E. D. Wood, who lives in Todd Creek precinct, Johnson county, set a number of pheasant eggs under hens last spring. His success was not the best, but he succeeded in raising three male birds. They are very beautiful. Mr. Wood expects to increase his flock next spring by adding a number of female birds.

As an evidence that farm land in Johnson county, already thought to be high in price, is steadily going up, the sale of Paul Huston's farm is given. Mr. Huston's place included eighty acres and is two miles west of Tecumseh. The improvements are ordinary. Wallace Faris paid \$4,500 for it, or \$112.50 per acre.

The corner stone for the \$80,000 high school building at Beatrice, was laid last week.

Some of the youthful corn growers of Dodge county who won prizes in the recent corn contest will have a chance to compete for prizes in the National Corn Show, which is to be held in Omaha, December 9 to 19.

The Commercial club completed arrangements which insure the immediate transfer to Fremont and its enlargement there of the Hastings Pressed Brick company, a branch enterprise of the Western Brick and Supply company of Hastings.

The new Methodist church at Kearney, costing \$38,000, has been dedicated.

Frederick J. Hetzel of Gordon attained his 90th birthday last week and the event was celebrated by a family reunion and turkey dinner. Grandpa Hetzel came to America from Baden-Baden, Germany, and settled with his parents in Oneida county, New York, when he was 9 years old. He moved from New York to Hamilton county, Iowa, where he remained until 1887, when he moved with his wife and family to Sheridan county, Nebraska.

Secretary Royle of the state banking board has issued a call for reports of the condition of the state banks at the close of business November 27. The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for national bank reports on the same date.

Old-timers ago, according to the old settlers of Fremont, turkey was more plentiful for Thanksgiving than this year. J. J. Hawthorne says that wild turkeys were numerous on the islands in the Platte and that on his first Thanksgiving in Fremont he had wild turkey and venison for dinner.

From one bushel of the very best seed corn planted last spring Charles Detloff, a tenant farmer living east of Bradshaw, gathered 340 bushels of corn.

Three of Lincoln's fourteen patrolmen were shorn of their stars and sent out to face winter minus their jobs. There were serious charges against them.

Requisition was granted by the governor for Virginia Amos, who is wanted in St. Clair county, Illinois, to answer to the charge of murder. She was under arrest in Omaha.

THE STATE CAPITAL

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL CITIZENS.

REESE AS THE CHIEF JUSTICE

This is the Title He Will Bear Until a Successor is Chosen in the Year 1914.

The Chief Justiceship.

Judge M. B. Reese will bear the title of chief justice of the supreme court from now until a successor is chosen, who will take his place in 1914. This was announced the past week, after a meeting of the new augmented court. Judge Barnes has held the title as ranking member of the court.

The change was made in accordance with the interpretation which the judges placed upon the amendment providing for the enlarged court. This provides for the election of three judges in 1909. They will fill the places made vacant by expiration of the terms of Judges Barnes, Sullivan and Fawcett. In 1911 three will be elected to fill the places at the expiration of the terms of Judge Letton, Root and Rose. In 1913 one judge is to be elected to fill the place of Judge Reese. The constitution in providing for the elections makes the judge to be elected in 1913 and each six years thereafter chief justice. It also provides that the judge whose term expires at that time shall be chief justice until then.

That the four remaining members of the old commission will continue to serve the state and draw salaries for a time yet is indicated from the fact that at the first sitting of the court seven cases were assigned to the commission for argument. The court assigned thirteen cases for argument before itself.

Judge Sullivan was not present when the court met and assigned cases. He arrived later and qualified immediately, sitting with the court later to hear argument. Rose, Root and Fawcett were already in Lincoln. Judge Sullivan has since tendered his resignation and the same has been accepted.

The commissioners whose places will cease to exist sometime between now and the first of April are E. R. Duffie, E. C. Calkins, A. C. Epperson and E. E. Good. The commission will probably be continued until after the cases which are in the hands of these four members have been decided. It is not likely, however, that they will hear any further cases after the present sitting.

Sullivan's Withdrawal Regretted.

Genuine and general regret has been expressed on all sides at the determination of Judge Sullivan to relinquish the place on the supreme bench offered him by Governor Sheldon. At the same time it is freely admitted, that Judge Sullivan could not, in justice to himself, have done other than he did.

There seems to have been a pretty general feeling, however, that Judge Sullivan's re-election to the bench next year, had he cared to enter the race, would have been without question. A dozen prominent republicans, including several state officers, have said that they believed no man in the state better qualified for the place than Judge Sullivan and that they would be glad of the opportunity to vote for him.

There is some criticism of Gov. Sheldon for not making Judge Sullivan one of the three-year appointees. It is possible that, had this been done, the resignation would not have been tendered.

More Room Needed.

State Land Commissioner H. M. Eaton will recommend in his annual report that, owing to the crowded condition of the state capitol building, the legislature must either abolish some of the new departments it has created or fit up the basement for office rooms, or move the state library and the department of justice to the proposed historical building across the street from the capitol grounds. The latter can be done if the legislature makes an appropriation for a historical building large enough to accommodate both the society and the department which it is proposed to house in the building.

Insurance Company Withdraws.

The Mutual Surety company of New York has notified Insurance Deputy Pierce that it has withdrawn from the state and has so informed its agents. The company was admitted to do business in Nebraska in 1906 and has been doing business here since. While no explanation of its withdrawal was given, it is supposed by the insurance department that its Nebraska business did not justify it taking out a license for the coming year.

Maupin to Change Tactics.

Will M. Maupin, who has been chosen labor commissioner by Governor-elect Shallenberger, will adopt a few different ideas about the management of the bureau. "Mr. Ryder has done a great work in gathering agricultural statistics and calling attention to the resources of the state," said Mr. Maupin, "and I shall endeavor to keep up that record. However, while trying to keep that work up to its present standard, I shall devote considerable time to industrial statistics and endeavor to get more information."

Gubernatorial Inauguration.

The democrats not only intend to make the inauguration of Governor-elect Shallenberger an event notable in the history of such affairs, but it is now their intention to follow up the inaugural ceremonies with a banquet the next night. While definite plans have not yet been made, the tip has gone out to the faithful to be ready to come to Lincoln to participate in the grand festival. The idea, it is said, originated with the new governor-elect and much of the plans will be left to him.



Get a road drag and then drag.

The lazy hen is not apt to be the layer.

Cleanliness is essential to successful poultry raising.

Do your hauling in the mornings when the ground is firm.

The care of bees is a healthy, easy and profitable work for women.

The good brood sow should be kept as long as she is able to raise a good litter.

Oil meal is 32 per cent. protein. A little in each feed for the cows is excellent.

Spread the manure as fast as it is made. The manure spreader makes the task an easy one.

It has been said that a horse is no better than the feet he stands on. Look well to the hoofs.

It is wet, not cold, which hurts sheep. Keep them dry and they can stand lots of cold weather.

Two-year-old geese are best for breeding purposes. Sell off the surplus stock. It won't pay to winter.

The low-wheeled wagon will prove a mighty handy thing on any farm. Get a set of low-down wheels and try them.

The man who keeps no stock because feed is high makes a mistake from which both his land and his pocket book will suffer.

The road drag is one of the tools which should not be put away. Keep it going over your strip of road every good chance you get. It is especially effective after rains.

Plan to lay in a supply of ice this winter. Get a place ready to store it. A good serviceable house can be put up cheaply, and enough ice stored to last all next summer.

How about the dust bath for the hens during the winter. Place the box where it will get the sun and then watch the joy of the hens as they revel in the soft, powdery stuff.

This is the season when you ought to be planning out the next season's work. Take pride in having your road team look sleek and trim. Rub up the harness, and if the buggy or wagon is old and shabby, you do not feel able to buy a new one, paint and fix the old one up.

Don't expect to improve your stock without expense. The cost of the scrub cannot in any sense be taken as the measure of cost of producing the thoroughbred. Just as the improved animal is intrinsically worth more money to the buyer, so it is unreasonable to suppose that it should not cost more money.

Seed corn should be selected from that which matured before the first frost and which has been thoroughly dried and then kept in a dry place. Late corn, or corn stored when it contained a considerable amount of moisture, is likely not to be fertile, because freezing tends to kill the germ when moisture is present.

When the daily vessels to be scalded are cold, remember that the first application of boiling water does not scald them properly, the coldness of the tin reducing the temperature of the water below the scalding point. The only certain way of scalding tin pails and pans is to apply the scalding water after the vessels have been heated by a preliminary rinsing in hot water.

The government is making experiments in the practical value of shelter belts of trees for homesteads, stock buildings, and orchards. Something for you to think about. Are your buildings or orchard so exposed to the bleak winds of winter and the violent winds of summer as to suffer? Trees of the right kind, planted in the best way and the best place will mean not only comfort but profit.

If a farmer sells hogs at ten dollars and buys them back in the shape of ham, bacon and pork at \$18, why should it not pay him to butcher and pack meat for his own use? And if the handsome profit of eight dollars per hog over the live selling price can be realized for himself why would it not be profitable to pack twice or three times as much as he needs for himself and sell it? Perhaps it would pay him to figure on butchering 30 or 40 hogs and curing and packing the meat.

In tying wool do not use sisal twine, use hemp. The former will hurt the sale of your product and for this reason: Small bits of the sisal fiber get into the wool and not taking eyes, must be picked out by hand. This occasions a loss of sometimes as much as five cents per pound, which must eventually come from the producer since manufacturers learn what sort of stuff is to be expected from a region and bid for it accordingly. The twines recommended for use are: No. 1 hemp, or small linen.

Up and at the hard task. It will never do itself.

Keep the road drag busy after every rain or soft spell.

Rye pasture is good for hogs. Remember this next season.

The run-down animal is hard to bring back to normal condition again.

When lean pork is desired, more protein feed and less corn should be fed.

Spring time is grafting time. Cut the scions the latter part of the winter.

In breeding sows there is great economy in having the litters come near together.

Increase the fertility of your land if you would have increased crops and an increased bank account.

Every farmer's boy ought to be ambitious to bet a course of training at the state agricultural college.

Galls and sores on horses nine times out of ten result from ill-fitting harness. A little care will prevent it.

A scratching shed for the hens with lots of sunshine, is a necessity if you are to get the best results from your flock.

With any new feed begin slow. A radical change in diet is always a shock to an animal and does them no good.

With feed high there is all the more necessity for providing good, warm, light stables to get the most out of the feed.

After tests, the Nebraska experiment station finds that alfalfa hay produced ten per cent. more milk than prairie hay.

Now is the season when the dairy farmer with his silo full of well-matured corn is going to reap the benefits of his efforts.

A brush is preferable to a cloth in cleaning milk utensils, because the brush gets into the corners and crevices as the cloth cannot.

If the stable has not been white-washed do it the first nice warm day. It will sweeten things up and make the stable more fit for the horses.

Be sure and provide some succulent feed for the poultry during the winter. Care in this direction will make for healthier hens and more eggs.

Hot water fomentation of the bruised or congested udder is the best treatment that can be given. Be persistent and you will get results.

Here is how one man manages to plow and harrow at the same time. He hitches one horse to a single section of the harrow and ties the halter to the furrow horse's singletree.

Be sure the chickens get plenty of water during this freezing weather. Don't compel them to peck through the ice to satisfy their thirst. See that water with the chill taken off is provided.

Even though the margin of profit realized on your stock over the price of the feed consumed is small, remember that the manure left behind by the animal represents a money value which is worth considering.

A farmer who has tried it says that sweet clover can be killed out of an orchard by plowing the ground and giving the orchard clean cultivation two or three seasons. Mowing the clover frequently during the summer and letting the stalks lie on the ground will prove effective, also, it is said.

Insist on cleanliness in those who do the milking. Before milking they should wash their hands with soap and should then thoroughly dry them. The finger nails should also be cleaned. As little dust as possible should be stirred up. Dust from moldy hay will float around and fall into the milk.

We are sorry to say it, but with most farmers it is purely guess work as to whether his cows are paying their way or not. They are strangers to the milk scales and the Babcock test, and they do not care for any new ideas about balanced rations, use of silage, etc., and the result is that they barely grub out a living. But thank goodness such farmers are growing less every year.

The henhouse should have movable roosts and dropping board. The dropping board should be made of smooth lumber for easy cleaning, and be placed not higher than three feet from the floor so that heavy fowls may easily fly up to it and not injure themselves in jumping from it. The space on the floor under the dropping board will be clean and give more room for the fowls for exercise on cold or stormy days.

Some farmers who go off on a trip leaving the wife home to run things on the farm can't get away from the notion that they're the ones that need rest and sympathy when they are at home, as is suggested by the following story from the New York Herald: "Mr. Farmer, as you read it ask your self the question: 'Does the story hit me?' The owner of the farm had been enjoying himself at the county fair while his hard-working wife stayed at home to see that the farm suffered no loss in his absence. 'Well, Sarah,' said the owner upon his return, 'I'm about all fixed out. Is the cows in the barn?' 'Yes, long since,' replied his wife, barely looking up from the task then in hand. 'Is the horses unharmed?' 'Yes.' 'Yes.' 'Chickens locked up?' 'Yes.' 'Wood chopped for mornin'?' 'Yes.' 'Wagon wheel mended?' 'Yes.' 'Wagon in the mornin'?' 'Yes.' 'Well, then,' concluded the exhausted owner, with a sigh of relief, 'let me have my supper. I'm going to turn in. Farmin's beginnin'!' 'Tell on me.'